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FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2035  
INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA  
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TAGS: PFOR, NOAS,BH, CS

SUBJECT: FACIO DEFINES FURTHER GOCR POSITION ON BELIZE

1.NUN A PRESS CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 12 FOREIGN MINISTER GONZALO FACIO GAVE AN HISTORICAL BRIEF OF BELIZE SHOWING THAT GREAT BRITAIN NEVER HAD SOVEREIGNTYOVER BELIZE AND THAT, THEREFORE, GUATEMALA INHERITED SPAIN'S RIGHTS OVER BELIZE UPON INDEPENDENCE IN THE LAST CECQURY.

2. FACIO, IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, SAID THAT HE WAS FOR THE MOMENT AGAINST APPLYING THE RIO TREATY TO THE GUATEMALA-BELIZE-GREAT BRITAIN CONFLICT BECAUSE IT IS NOT A CASE OF AGGRESSION BY GREAT BRITAIN. HE SUMMARIZED GOCR'S POSITION AS:

- A. THAT PEACE BE MAINTAINED.
- B. THAT A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION BE REACHED.
- C. THAT MILITARY FORCE NOT BE USED.
- D. THAT NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE AND TAKE INTO ACCOUNT:
  - (1) THE PEOPLE OF BELIZE.
  - (2) PARAGRAPH VI OF UNGA RESOLUTION 1514--

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"ANY ATTEMPT TO BREAK UP TOTALLY OR PARTIALLY THE UNITY  
OF A NATION IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE  
  
UN CHARTER."  
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